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TO: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Letter to the Honorable Joseph

Addabbo, dtd 15 December 1983,

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The letter to the Honorable Joseph Addabbo, dated 15 December 1983, Serial: N1850, was forwarded to you on 16 December 1983. That letter has been withdrawn and reissued in slightly modified form. Please destroy the 15 December copy and replace it with the attached letter, dated 22 December 1983, Serial: N1850

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	Budget	House	Senate	Conference
Agr/technician mix	65,900 1,250,830 257,189	32,950 1,250,830 257,189	65,900 1,275,430 257,189	49,780 1,250,830 257,189
All other items	1,917,100	1,857,950	1,977,600	1,882,98

#### NATIONAL GUARD PERSONNEL, AIR FORCE

Amendment No. 12: Appropriates \$589,100,000 as proposed by the House instead of \$604,400,000 as proposed by the Senate.

The conference agreement on items addressed by either the House or Senate is as follows:

	Budget	House	Senate	Conterence
	Doolger			8,17
	12,573	8,173	8,173 15,300 580,927	0,17
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Fiscal year 1984 pay raise	580,927	580,927		
	593,500	589,100	604,400	589,10
Total, National Guard personnel, Air Force				

### TITLE III—OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

The following items addressed by the conferees apply to more than one operation and maintenance appropriation of the Department of Defense:

#### APPROPRIATION BY BUDGET ACTIVITIES

The authorization conference recommended O&M authorization levels at the budget activity within each appropriation but specified that the Department of Defense should retain certain flexibilities for transfers. The Appropriations Bill as passed the House recommended specific budget activity amounts within each appropriation while the Senate version recommended appropriation at the O&M account level as historically has been the case.

The conferees agree that appropriation at the budget activity level would unnecessarily inhibit the required flexibility in the Department of Defense for executing a complex operating budget during the course of the fiscal year. As a result, the conferees agree to appropriate at the account level rather than by specific budget activity. The conferees have worked diligently to ensure that each of the individual items being addressed in the conference are within the authorized limits.

ADP equipment acquisition

Both the House and the Senate criticized the management of ADP equipment acquisition in DOD. The House recommended a re-

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duction of \$680,000,000 in the operation and maintenance accounts and provided \$150,000,000 for establishment of a special fund to

buy ADP equipment currently being leased.

The conferees agree to a reduction of \$150,000,000 to the operation and maintenance accounts to reflect savings from increased competition and reduced leasing, and to provide \$150,000,000 to the Defense Industrial Fund to buy out existing leases as recommended by the House. The Conferees recognize that the revolving fund allowance is sufficient to begin a modest buy-out program. It is expected that the fiscal 1985 request will include additional funding to accelerate the purchase of leased ADP equipment where it is cost efficient to do so. As a means to replenish the revolving fund, the Department may wish to use an amortization schedule to annually reimburse the Defense Industrial Fund for a portion of the purchase value of the ADP equipment. This formula should assure the buy-out of most ADP equipment within five years.

The Department is expected to adhere to the following ADP

management procedures:

1. All acquisition of ADP components will be purchased outright, unless cognizant ADP and contracting officials can justify a method of acquisition and financing that will produce the lowest

total overall cost to the Government.

2. Consistent with longstanding guidance from the Congress, all acquisition of ADP equipment in DOD will be done in a manner that will achieve lowest total overall costs to the government; normally this will be accomplished through competition, unless warranted by a national exigency to support a time-sensitive program of the highest national priority; acquisition is not to be considered competitive solely on the basis of inclusion on the GSA ADP sched-

3. A comprehensive audit of all ADP equipment in DOD will be performed to ensure that DOD is not continuing to pay rent on equipment already owned, to determine accrued purchase credits on existing leased systems, and to form an inventory baseline so that ADP equipment excess to requirements in one activity can be transferred to another activity with an existing deficiency, provided that doing so does not perpetuate obsolescence. Leased ADP equipment that is obsolete will not be purchased if replacement is planned within two years and resources have already been identified in the Five Year Defense Plan.

4. A comprehensive and immediate training and advisory program is to be implemented to ensure that DOD contracting officers have sufficient ADP expertise to protect that Government's interest and to better understand internally developed ADP require-

ments in order to perform the most effective acquisitions.

5. A program is to be initiated to provide for the economic buyout of existing ADP equipment in use by DOD but not owned by DOD. By April 1, 1984, the Defense Department will submit to the Congress an action plan for implementing and resourcing this initiative.

6. Finally, no exceptions are to be made for competitive acquisition or outright purchase except with the specific case-by-case approval of the component Senior Information Resource Management (IRM) officials or their designees. These exceptions, however, are not to be justified by lack of necessary procurement funds or timesensitivity. The exceptions will be reported to Military Department Senior ADP officials (OSD for Defense Agencies) on a quarterly basis. The department's Senior ADP Officials will be prepared to justify exceptions to the Congress when requested.

#### Stock fund accounting change

Both the House and the Senate directed DOD to record obligations at the time customer orders are placed against the stock fund. However, the House directed implementation on September 1, 1984, while the Senate directed implementation prior to the end of the fiscal year. Conferees agree that the Department should implement this accounting change prior to the end of the fiscal year as directed by the Senate.

#### Industrial plant equipment

The conferees agree to permit the Department of Defense to budget for industrial plant equipment in the customer operation and maintenance accounts as recommended by the Senate, and agree to provide a total of \$414,500,000 instead of \$364,500,000 as recommended by the House and \$564,500,000 as recommended by the Senate.

The conferees fully support the modernization of the industrial plants of the Department of Defense. However, the many layers of bureaucracy between these industrial activities and the Congress have provided poor justification for such an important and expensive program. A significantly better job must be done by the Department of Defense in fiscal year 1985 of supporting the request for these funds. Since DOD has testified that the individual industrial activities each have a plan and are free to allocate these resources based upon the critical needs of that individual activity, in conjunction with submission of the fiscal year 1985 budget request the Department will present the plan for each activity identifying major equipment problem areas; expected productivity improvements from a strengthened equipment replacement and improvement program; funding levels for fiscal years 1983, 1984, and 1985; and the estimated funding requirement to modernize industrial plant equipment at each activity over a ten year period starting in fiscal year 1985. The conferees agree that funds provided for fiscal year 1984 are to be managed and expended by the industrial activity without further review of higher authority.

### Spare and repair parts procurement management

The conferees agree that management of spare and repair parts procurement in the Department of Defense needs to be strengthened, and agree to provide \$15,000,000 for 700 additional manyears. However, the conferees agree to allocate this amount equally across the military departments rather than only to the Air Force as recommended by the Senate. The conferees also agree that this increase is to be used to strengthen supply system procurement management at the inventory control points in the supply systems of each military service. The increase being provided by the conference of th

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